D. REMARKS

Claims 1-4, 7-10, 13-16, 19-24 remain pending. Claims 1, 9, 10, 15, 21, 23, and 24 have been amended herein.

Figures 1A and 1B have been designated by the legend --PRIOR ART--as requested by the examiner. Corrected drawings are enclosed herewith. Each replacement sheet is labeled "Replacements Sheet" in the page header.

The examiner has rejected claims 1-24 under 35 USC 101. The claims have been amended to more specifically recite a rendering claim element instead of an enabling of rendering by another claim element. Also, claims 10 and 24 have been amended to recite a computer usable storage medium. The word tangible has been deleted from the claims as suggested by the examiner in response to the examiner's objection to the specification. Applicants submit that the examiner's rejections and objections are overcome with this amendment.

The examiner has rejected clams 1-4, 7-10, 13-16 and 19-24 under 35 USC 101 as being anticipated by Cannon (US 6754715 B1). Cannon teaches a method for displaying streamed digital video data on a client computer. Canon does not teach or suggest each and every claimed element. More specifically, Cannon does not teach or suggest "storing in a chronological list…multimedia objects…when each multimedia object is initially rendered at the client; and displaying the chronological list with control buttons; and rendering the stored multimedia objects in a forward and backward succession…in

response to a user selection of the displayed control buttons (which are located with the

chronological list).... .

Not only does Cannon not teach or suggest these elements, Cannon also teaches

away from such elements. For example, at column 6, lines 46-51, Cannon teaches the

following:

Using the control features of the present invention, the user is able

to control, in a user-friendly and intuitive manner, the transmission and

display of the video frames pertaining to a real-time video stream or,

advantageously, even a live video stream at the client computer.

Thus, Cannon teaches that a user uses the control features to control the

transmission and display of the video frames pertaining to a real-time video stream or live

video stream. The controls are not used to control *stored* multimedia objects from a

chronological list, as in Applicants' claimed invention, but rather in Cannon they are used to

control a real-time or live video stream.

The teachings of Cannon make it clear that this real-time and/or live video stream

can not be broadly interpreted to be "the chronological list" of Applicants' claimed

invention. Although Cannon does teach a retransmit buffer at column 7, lines 25 – 56, and

a client play-out buffer at column 7, line 57 to column 8, line 18, Cannon teaches that this

retransmit buffer is created when each data packet is outputted from server play-out buffer,

and that "it is typically not useful to keep a data packet therein long past the time it is

required at client computer for display." As this teaches, the retransmit buffer is used *for display* which is contrary to Applicants' claimed invention wherein the multimedia objects are stored in a chronological list *when* each multimedia object is initially rendered at the client. Likewise, the client play-out buffer exists *before* the display, and not *when* each object is initially rendered as in Applicants' claimed invention. Furthermore, Cannon does not teach that the "chronological list" is displayed with control buttons. See column 12, lines 62 – 64 where it states: "the client issues a command at the client computer, e.g., by clicking on an appropriate icon or interacting via a dialog box." There is no teaching or suggestion that Applicants' attorney found where a chronological list is displayed with control buttons.
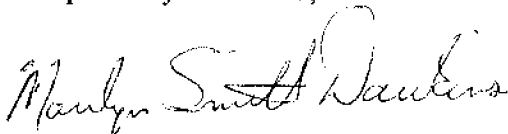
The examiner has made reference to several locations within the Cannon patent, however, these do not anticipate each and every claimed element. For example, col 16, lines 44-54 and claim 16 was referenced to show "storing in a chronological list, independently of a user action, a plurality of different multimedia objects each containing at least one transient message when each multimedia object is initially rendered at the client." However, as discussed above, the video frames of Cannon are not a chronological list of multimedia objects stored when each object is initially rendered at the client. Nor does col 6, lines 6-24 and column 15 lines 21-35 and claim 16 teach or suggest "displaying the chronological list with control buttons." First there is no chronological list, and even if the video frames were considered to be a chronological list as claimed in Applicants' claimed invention, the video frames of Cannon do not have control buttons. There is no teaching in

Cannon that the control buttons are displayed "with" the "chronological list." Also, the examiner's reference to col. 16, lines 44-54 does not teach or suggest "a replay button sent from the server displayed at the the client in an area of a document allocated to the multimedia object" as claimed in Applicants' claimed invention. In addition, the examiner's reference to Cannon at col 4, lines 50-64; col 16, lines 44-54; claim 16; col 6, lines 6-24; column 15, lines 21-35, and claim 26 do not teach or suggest "identifying a region, clipping the region, storing in a list when each message is initially rendered, and displaying the list with control buttons" as claimed in Applicant's claimed invention.

As such, Cannon does not teach each and every element of Applicants' claimed invention

In view of the foregoing, withdrawal of the rejections and the allowance of the current pending claims are respectfully requested. If the Examiner feels that the pending claims could be allowed with minor changes, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned to discuss an Examiner's Amendment.

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